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TAGS: AS, PFOR, VN, US

SUBJECT: AUSTRALIA AND THE PRG

REF: STATE 030300

1. EMBASSY SPOKESMAN WAS QUERIED BY AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATED PRESS ABOUT WASHINGTON DATELINED STORY (ROY MACARTNEY) THAT AMERICAN "GOVERNMENT HAS REACTED STRONGLY TO THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO ALLOW THE VIET CONG TO OPEN AN INFORMATION OFFICE IN AUSTRALIA" AND THAT USG "WILL CALL UPON CANBERRA FOR AN OFFICIAL EXPLANATION."

2. EMBASSY SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ANY DEVELOPMENTS SERVING TO ENHANCE THE STATUS OF PRG WERE ESPECIALLY UNFORTUNATE DURING NORTH VIETNAMESE MILITARY OFFENSIVE IN VIOLATION OF PARIS AGREEMENTS. ASKED IF USG HAD LODGED PROTEST WITH GOA, SPOKESMAN SAID HE COULD NOT SEE HOW THERE COULD BE A PROTEST SINCE NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN BY GOA ON THE TERRIGAL RESOLUTION.

3. AUSTRALIAN PRESS HAS REPORTED (ALTHOUGH NOT PROMINENTLY) AGAIN WITH WASHINGTON DATELINE THAT  
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ACTING SECRETARY INGERSOLL WAS CALLING IN SIR

PATRICK SHAW.

4. AAP REPORTER HAS CONFIRMED THAT HIS STROY  
ACCURATELY REPORTED EMBASSY SPOKESMAN'S COMMENTS.  
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